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### DETAILED ACTION

(1)

The reply filed on 8/26/04, 9/22/04 and 11/15/04 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the reply does not address the rejections of the Office Action dated 5/24/04 over IBM Technical Disclosure Bulletin (April 1974) (see attached Notice of References Cited dated 2/10/2000 and attached copy of the reference). See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).


(2)

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Melvin Curtis Mayes whose telephone number is 571-272-1234. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chris Fiorilla can be reached on 571-272-1187. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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